

Youngsters Face League Stuff in Gainesville---Arbiters' Rates Given Out

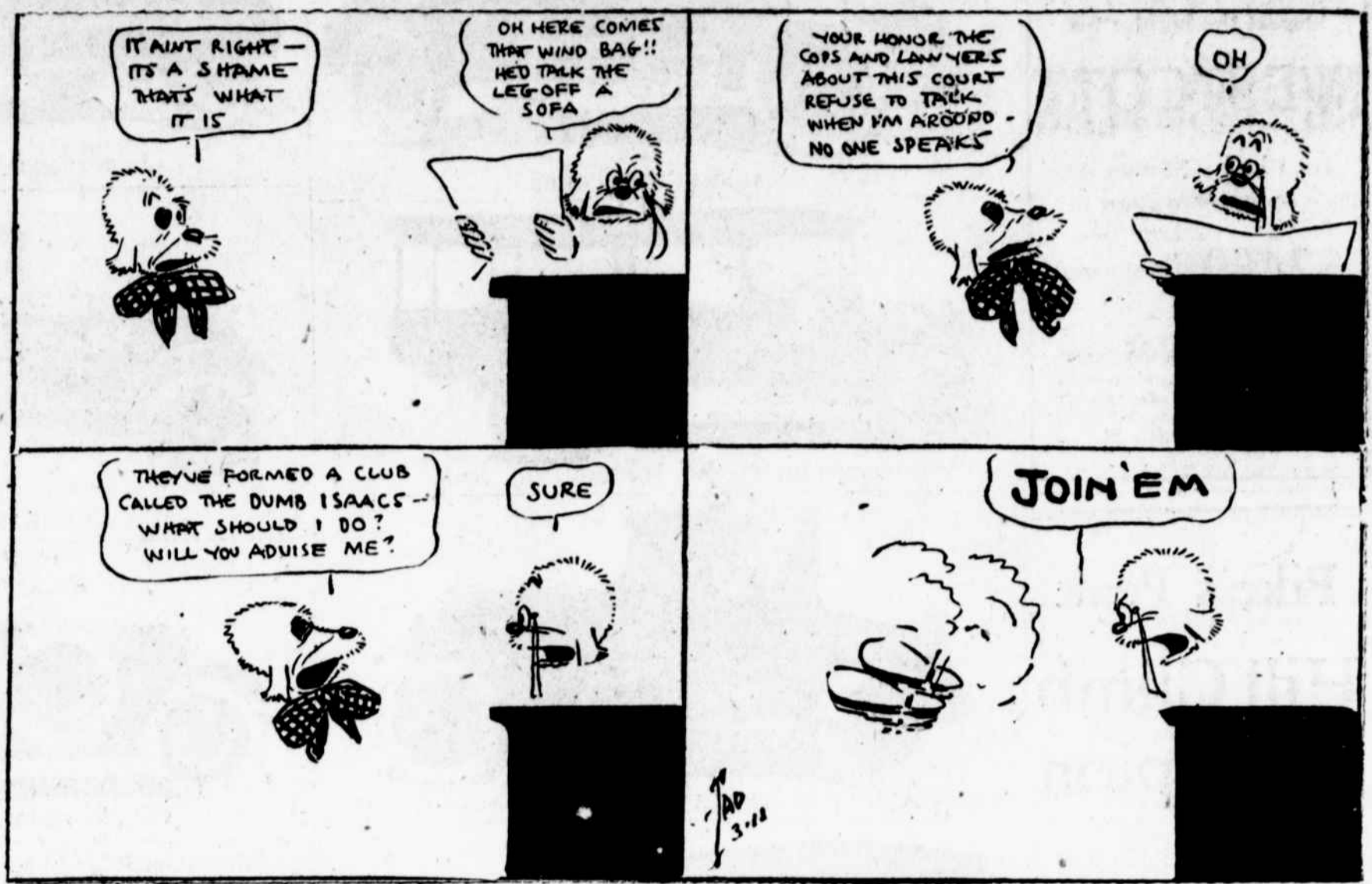
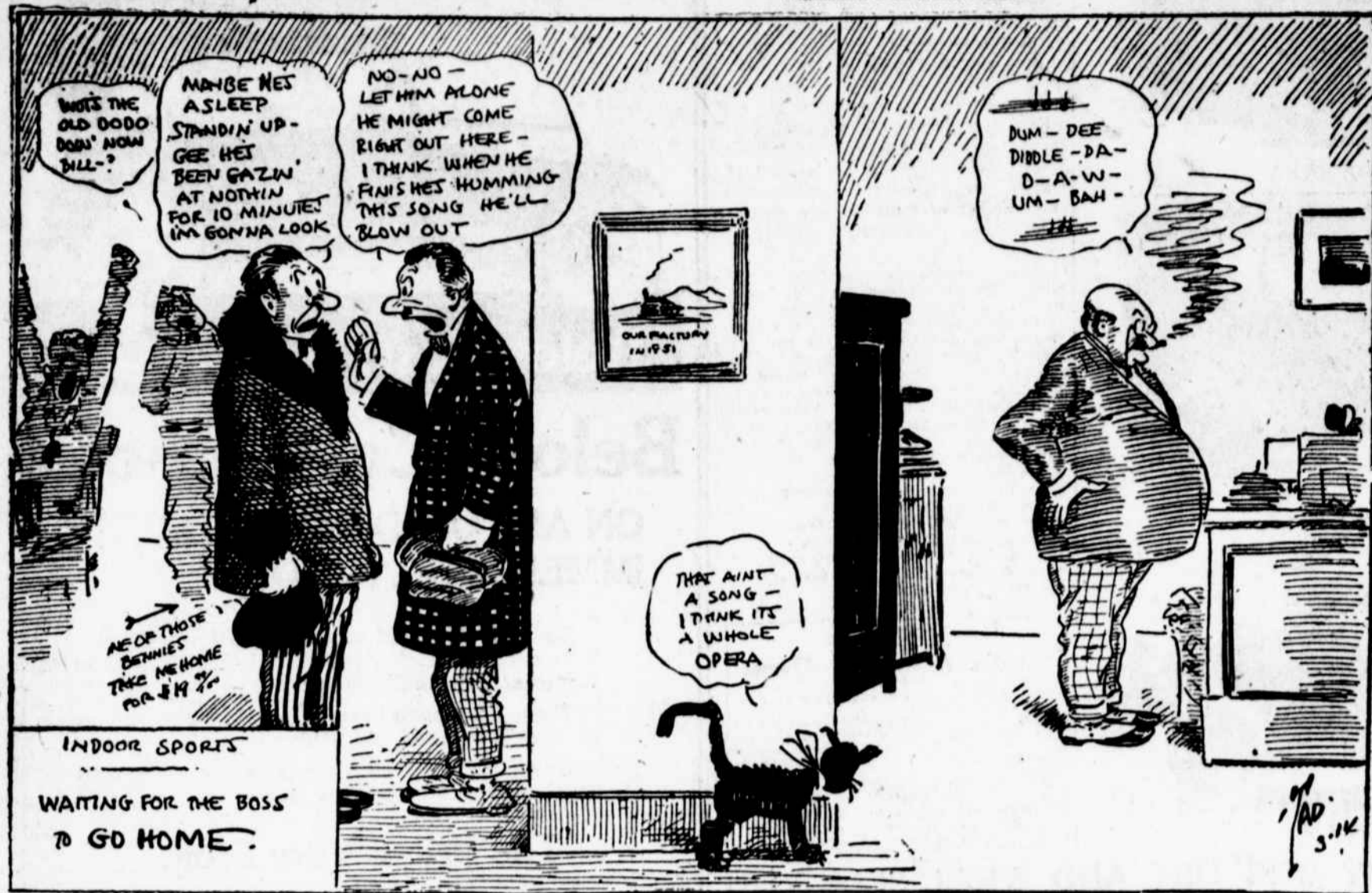
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LOOKING 'EM OVER

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER

Rookies Face Real Tests Today

GAINESVILLE, Fla., March 16.—Whether Deebie Foss, last year's crack third sacker for the Tampa Smokers in the Florida State League, or Eddie Goebel, the lithe-limbed young outfielder with Springfield in the Eastern League, are to hang on with the Griffins will depend largely upon how they look during the brief series opening here today between the Washington squad and the Philadelphia National Leaguers.

In the workouts at Tampa thus far neither youngster has been able to impress manager McBride with his ability. There has been no baseball, which is the real answer.

However, beginning today there will be some real games between Nick Altrock and his rookies and the bunch training here. Under the skilled eye of Bill Donovan, President Griffith came over to get a peek at Foss and Goebel. Whatever he sees he will tell McBride for the latter's guidance later on.

Today Foss and Goebel are the only players newly reporting who have a chance to stick. Foss is said to have played some great ball around third base for the Tampa Club last season, shining especially by his ability to go in on slow ones and winging them across the infield in time to get the fastest runners. He also did pretty well with the bat for Tommy Leach's team last summer.

In the practice sessions in "Tampa this spring, however, he has done nothing to warrant the praises showered upon him. He may do better in real games, and it is on this account that President Griffith has come over here for the short series of three games with the Phillies. He wants to see Foss under fire.

EAGER TO LEARN.
Much the same is the case of young Goebel. The Eastern Leaguer is energetic, eager to learn and apparently intelligent. He looks good under fire in the field, going well in all directions, and has a strong throwing arm. In tearing loose around the bases he picks up his heels like a sprinter. But against the soft pitching at Tampa he has not shaped up like much of a hitter. It is possible that he may do better here against the big league twirlers that Bill Donovan promises to send in against him.

The Washington squad arrived here early this morning, leaving Tampa at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The rail across the bay to St. Petersburg was pleasant and the ride in the rattler to this seat of the University of Florida was spent in sweet slumbers. The boys were up bright and early this morning, eager for breakfast.

BOOKED FOR FIRST BASE.
Frank Shanks and Ed Gharrrity were the only regulars to accompany the rookies here. Gharrrity came over because Dick Torres has a split finger. Val Picinich will probably do all the catching here, being in excellent condition. Shanks is booked for an outfield berth, Tucker was left behind at Tampa, there being no necessity for looking at him under fire. Tucker seems doomed to remain in the bushes.

BOOKED FOR FIRST BASE.
Brower, though suffering from a lame finger, is booked for first base. Marhaka at second. Lamotte at short and Foss at third. McHugh Goebel and Shanks will be in the garden against the Phillies. It is also possible that Shanks and Brower may change places so that the home run hitter may get in some practice as an outfielder.

Walter Johnson's initial workout of the season was of the lightest kind imaginable, but he served to attract a fair-sized crowd of fans to Plant field yesterday morning. A small knot of bugs gave the king of pitchers a rising welcome on his appearance. Movie cameramen got busy with them and you'll all see Wal-

JENNINGS SUFFERS FRACTURED RIB

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 16.—Hugh Jennings, assistant manager of the Giants, is carrying around a fractured rib in his left side, the first injury of that character which the one-time shortstop of the famous Orioles yet has suffered in his long connection with baseball.

Six days ago Jennings was struck violently in the side with a pitched ball. He fell and felt some pain at the time. Last night the pain became acute and he had to send for a doctor. The diagnosis revealed a fracture of a rib.

Jennings would have kept the news of his injury to himself if he had not been questioned as to the reason for his laying off. "Oh, just a little break in a rib," he said and laughed it off.

"You know, when I was in the game I was hit in the ribs sixty-seven times one season, but never got a fracture. I was struck there time and again and never even felt any pain. I had to come here after all these years to get a broken rib."

UMPIRES ANNOUNCE FEES FOR SERVICE

District Association Is Regular Union, With Cards and Everything.

By BRYAN MORSE.
District Umpire Association spring and summer rates are offered for public consumption for the first time today.

President James Y. Hughes, known to a host of followers of baseball and basketball games, reports he has fourteen members of the organization and many applications for membership. The "Umps" have formed a regular union, cards and everything.

The idea of an umpire's association occurred to several local arbiters. The association is said to be the first organization of its kind in the country.

Its purpose is to give the sandlot players, followers and promoters the best kind of officiating possible in single and double games. A free trial is thought to be all out of proportion to a field goal at present. With insistence in calling personal fouls on body contact and pushing it is thought here that the game will be opened up considerably.

Penny Ante

By Jean Knott



BASKETBALL BOARD WILL ASK CHANGE

Wants Three Points for Floor Goal and Single Point for Free Toss.

District of Columbia Board of Approved Basketball Officials will recommend to the national organization a return to the former rule governing the "dribble" for next year, will advocate counting three points for a floor goal and one point for a free toss.

The association in session at Y. M. C. A. last night with C. Edward Beckett, president, presiding, offered resolutions to the national body asking insistence for next year on "blocking and pushing."

It is pointed out that in the later developed basketball game the system of close guarding and the so-called defensive style of basketball now coached admits of a low scoring. The addition of one point on a floor basket is thought to be a means of remedying the low scoring.

Too much premium has been placed upon free tossing. A free toss is thought to be all out of proportion to a field goal at present. With insistence in calling personal fouls on body contact and pushing it is thought here that the game will be opened up considerably.

The District Board of Approved Basketball Officials for next season will consist of C. Edward Beckett, president; George F. Green, vice president; Bryan Morse, secretary; and William M. Apple, as members of the executive committee. The remaining members of the organization are K. B. Fitzgerald, Edwin Bratburd, C. C. Dunn, Earl B. Fuller, G. P. Harbin and James Y. Hughes.

An interpretive game will be played next November at which time all of the basketball players and coaches in the District will be invited.

FIRST BASEBALL VICTIM IS RECORDED

CHICAGO, March 16.—Baseball claimed its first fatality of the season here when Joseph Mattoia, thirteen years old, was struck on the head by a ball in a game with playmates and died several hours later. He was dazed at first by the blow, but recovered quickly and collapsed last night at his home.

SEVERAL CHANGES OCCUR IN TENPIN STANDINGS

BUFFALO, March 16.—Bowling in the doubles and singles of the American Bowling Congress tournament yesterday brought about several changes in the standing of leaders.

Two teams rolled 1,220 sets for high scores in the doubles, causing a triple tie for eighth place, while three high sets by Mort Lindsey, of New Haven; S. Hydeke, of Racine, and S. Green, of Cleveland, in the singles places them fourth, fifth and sixth, respectively. Three of yesterday's performers also won their way into the standing of all-events.

C. Thies and S. Gresh, of Cleveland, and Mort Lindsey and J. Porto, of New Haven, were the high rollers in the doubles, each pair scoring 1,220 pins.

WILLIE LEWIS AGAIN BESTS CHARLIE WAMSLEY

Willie Lewis, of Philadelphia, continued his clever billiard playing last night at the Grand Central in his second block of 125 points with Charlie Wamsley, of Baltimore.

Wamsley made 139 balls to Lewis' 124, but the count of 124 by Lewis gave him the required 250, while Wamsley's total was only 224. The winner had runs of 22, 17, 13 and 13, while the Baltimorean could only gather 18, 14, 15 and 15. George Cox was the referee.

BLUE LODGE CLUB TO WORK SUNDAY

Masonic Players Look for Stiff Games This Season Outside of League.

The Masonic Blue Lodge Team of the Fraternal League will hold its first practice of the season at the Union League Park on Sunday March 20 at 2 p. m. The Masons are contemplating a team that is going to be right in the running for the pennant of the Fraternal League.

Dutch Sterzer, Eddie Lyser, Worden Dyer, Paul Cobill, Dutch Hilderbrand, Goldenberg and Walker, and many other promising candidates will report to the manager, J. W. Ballenger on Sunday.

In addition to the usual league games out of town games are being booked for the Masons on Saturday and Sundays which will mean that the players are to be given several trips. Any strong out of town team desiring games for Saturday or Sunday with the Masonic team should communicate with J. W. Ballenger, Astoria Apt. 3rd and G northwest, or John J. F. Mullane, Secretary, Main 7828. Any ball players who are interested in playing with the Masons this year are requested to report Sunday at the Union League Park at 2 p. m. for practice. The players also are informed that the Masonic team will play the Grotto team in the annual Masonic Base Ball Game for the benefit of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home on June 12th, and with the assistance of Mike MacDonald the Blue Lodges are preparing to hand the Grotto the worst trimming that they ever had. The regular meeting of the Fraternal Base Ball League will be held at Room 207 Ouray Bldg. 8th and G northwest, at 8 p. m. Friday.

All representatives of the various orders are requested to notice the change of address, and remember the entertainment and dance to be given for the benefit of uniforms and equipment at Old Masonic Temple March 30, 31 and April 1.

MARKET MEN WILL PLAY DURING COMING SEASON

Convention Hall Market Baseball players are preparing for a long and hot baseball season. George Simons, manager of Convention Hall market is manager, and wants games with fast independent teams for Sundays and holidays.

THE OTHER ANGLE

CAPTAIN HEADLEY PLUCKED.

By KIRK MILLER

LOOSE FACTORY, Labrador, March 16.—(Via speaking-tube to The Washington Times.) Through no fault of his own, Skillet Finn has been forced to decide against his better judgment and sign a catcher for the Igloos whose name was never mentioned for a commissioner of the District of Columbia.

Captain Arthur J. Headley, traffic admiral of Washington, is the policeman who wins the empty flask. And a few words at this exonerating moment about the lefty captain might not be amiss.

Headley was born at as early an age as possible. He has wasted away most of his sixty-odd years right here in the rent-spangled District of Columbia, and although he has attained the rank and grade of captain, he has never yet made an arrest.

Sixty-odd years is quite an epoch for one man to worry along with the same town. Washington's gain is a loss to every other city in the country. You don't have to pass any immigration test to live there.

In choosing Mr. Headley for the delicate role of catcher for the Igloo Zebras, Manager Skillet Finn had

on one of 'em with a shoe horn. As stated in a recent communique from Loose Factory by your humbled correspondent the Igloos are going to play on motorcycles, not on spiked shoes. Captain Headley's record for never having fallen off of one grabbed him the job of catcher with all its emoluments, including broken necks, skinned elbows and fractures of the dome.

Before reporting to Skillet Finn's Igloos, Headley will take motorcycle culture from Policeman Milton D. Smith, Third precinct, Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C., U. S. A.

Milton Smith has been the prize motorcycle case at Emergency Hospital for the last three weeks. He occupied the bridal suite to the exclusion of all other guests. One day they brought in a dead man who had been killed in a motorcycle duel. Smith said, "Take him out of here, I'm deadlier than he is."

It happened comme ça. Captain Brown, of No. 3, bought Milton a brand-new velocipede to chase down bootleggers and such. The first day out Smith noticed a peculiar but familiar odor to the exhaust of a certain automobile spooling up Sixteenth street.

He pursued the car that he thought was burning old horse for gas. The car turned an abrupt left angle. Smith's noiseless typewriter got caught in the fender of the speeding car and when they picked Smith up his breath—and his \$14 pants were gone.

At latest reports from Washington, he was limping around with a crutch to hold his chin up. Headley will take lessons from that bird.

Yale Seeks Track Date.
STATE COLLEGE, Pa., March 16.—The track meet scheduled with the University of Virginia at Charlottesville on March 30 promises to become a speeding affair, for Yale has asked Virginia for a meet on the same date, according to word received by Manager Sell, of the Penn State team.

"Strangler" Takes to Flying.
WICHITA, Kan., March 16.—After taking a ride in an airplane Ed "Strangler" Lewis, world's champion heavyweight wrestler, today placed an order for a machine, and stipulated that it be delivered to him as soon as possible.

Lewis did not say whether he expected to use the aircraft in flying between cities to keep his wrestling engagements.

Another for Ross.
CHICAGO, March 16.—Norman Ross last night broke the world's record for the 500-meter swim by covering the distance in 6 minutes 41.2 seconds, lowering the previous record by 7.1 seconds. The former record also was held by Ross.

The new mark was made in the tank of the Illinois Athletic Club.

Yes, Headley's past is very unique, as Mr. Rudolph Kauffmann puts it. The captain wouldn't think of pinching a speeding motorist unless he could catch him. He's got a flock of motorcycles at Police Headquarters, but you couldn't get Headley

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SHAMROCKS MAKE READY AT MEETING NEXT WEEK
Manager H. C. Kidwell, of the Miami A. C., desires that all members and all wishing to become members, meet him Sunday morning, March 20 at 11 o'clock on diamond No. 9 Monument lot for practice.
H. C. Kidwell can be reached at 2307 Nicholson street southeast, for games.
Diamonds in Line.
Diamond A. C. players have organized for the season. Charles Zimerly, 24 Seaton place northeast, is manager, and wants games with fourteen-year-old teams.

SCHAEFFER OUTCLASSES COCHRAN IN CUE MATCH
STROUDSBURG, Pa., March 16.—In a 400-point 18-2 balk-line match yesterday afternoon at the chamber of commerce rooms, Jacob Schaeffer, Jr., easily defeated Walker Cochran.
The score by innings of the afternoon block:
Schaeffer—0 96 21 59 167 50 7.
Cochran—1 22 21 19 41 36. Total, 132. High run, 41.